

CITY OF CUDAHY

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Dear Residents and Visitors

The fall season is approaching fast. We had one of the warmest summers that I can remember. The city enjoyed many days of warmth and mild weather that brought residents and visitors to our parks to enjoy the beautiful sites that are offered in Cudahy. I personally enjoyed seeing many of our residents strolling throughout the day and night with their families and pets. Once again we are thankful for the scenic surroundings that we are blessed with in our City.

Members of the Celebrations Committee send their thanks to the many families that attended our programs this summer. Chase Movie Nights had great weather this year for the featured movies. Again, this well received event had many families gather to enjoy a free evening to watch a movie with their family. It is very gratifying to see the children playing together before the movie and enjoying the evening with family and friends.

Supervisor Pat Jursik's music in the park was also well received by many at Sheridan Park. This event and her "Ride With The Supervisor" is becoming another annual program enjoyed by many. Watch for the information on her website for next year's Ride and Music. http://County.milwaukee.gov/jursik

Our 4th of July celebration was once again a success. Many families braved the exceptionally hot weather that day. Thank you again to Don Billo and his crew for a fabulous fireworks display that completed the day for everyone who attended the City's 4th of July celebration.

At the back of this issue is a tear out survey from the Celebrations Committee. We would like to hear from residents to determine which parade route for the 4th of July should be established. In 2013 Lake Drive will most

likely be used again due to the start of the streetscape project planned for Packard Avenue in the Historic Downtown. The sidewalks, curbs, lights, and stoplights will be replaced with new and upgraded walk signals. The survey will help determine the parade route for 2014 forward for the 4th of July parade. Please participate in the survey either with the insert or on line at the City's website.

Watch for information on the **Fall Harvest Fest** on the website. It will be held on October 27, 2012. North Shore Bank and the City are working together this year. The **Hometown Holiday** will be held on November 24th at the Cudahy Family Library. Come and join us on this festive day. Watch for more highlights for the Hometown Holiday on the City's website. www.cudahy-wi.gov

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Mayor Day

TRICK OR TREAT: Trick or Treat hours have been set for Sunday, October 28, 2012 from 2PM to 4PM in the City of Cudahy



<u>CUDAHY/ST. FRANCIS INTERFAITH:</u> If you are 60 years of age or older and a resident, you are entitled to our services. That includes primary transportation and some help with home chores. Volunteers are always needed.

Call (414) 483-4474.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM YOUR CUDAHY FAMILY LIBRARY:

Did you know....?

The Cudahy Family Library has an extensive collection of items related to the history of Cudahy. Open by appointment, the collection is housed in a special climate-controlled room and contains a wealth of information for researching the history of your family, your property, local organizations, and much more.

Cleaning out? We gratefully accept donations for the collection! Have some old photos you can't bear to part with? Consider allowing us to make a copy of them for our file!

Save the date!

After hours at the library!! The 5th **Annual Harvest Tasting Library Fundraiser** will be Friday, October 19, 2012 7:00 – 10:30 P.M – featuring distinguished wines, craft beers, specialty sodas, delicious hors d'oeuvres and confectionary. This year's featured performers are Milwaukee's premier vocal doo-wop group, Four Guyz in Dinner Jackets. There will also be a silent auction and raffle ticket drawing.

Cost - \$40.00 per person in advance (\$45.00 at the door) with the Four Guys in Dinner Jackets show, or \$30.00 per person in advance (\$35.00 at the door) without the show. RSVP by calling the Library at (414) 769-2244.

iPADS

Yes, iPads are now available to check out from the library! The Cudahy Family Library has purchased iPad 2s for our patrons to check out and use anywhere in the Library. Library card holders age 18 and up may borrow an iPad for up to 2 hours per day. The iPads are preloaded with many fun and useful apps as well as a variety of classic eBooks. See the adult reference library to check one out today! The iPads were made possible thanks to the generous funding from Ladish Co. Foundation and the Friends of the Cudahy Library.

MARCUS THEATER MOVE TICKETS

The Cudahy Family Library is now selling Marcus Theatre movie tickets at discounted rates. Profits from the ticket sales will benefit the Library.

Gold Tickets sell for \$7 each and can be used for any show, any time.

Silver tickets sell for \$6 each and can be used Sunday

through Friday and Saturdays before 5:30 P.M. Silver tickets cannot be used for features listed as extra special attractions, special engagement or VIP seating. For every 2 tickets purchased, you will receive a snack cash voucher good for \$3.00 off concessions. The tickets never expire. 3D shows are subject to a surcharge.



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

<u>Tax Collection:</u> Tax bills are mailed each year around the 15th of December. Please read the inserts carefully for full information regarding payment methods.

Elections:

November 6, 2012 – Presidential Election

For further information on elections, please visit our website www.cudahy-wi.gov election update page, the Government Accountability Board http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/voters or call the City Clerk's office at 414-769-2204 or 414-769-2203



PIT BULL PERMITS

The City of Cudahy has an ordinance requiring a Special Pitbull Permit. This permit is required for all pit bulls residing in the City of Cudahy. There is a \$50.00 fee renewable every January 1st and other requirements. Please refer to our website www.cudahy-wi.gov. Click on Residents, then on Pet Licensing Information. The ordinance and the permit are both available for review and download. The special Cudahy pit bull license is required in addition to the regular dog license.

CITY OF CUDAHY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department Welcomes New Health Officer



As a member of the Cudahy community, it is truly an honor and a privilege to serve as the Health Officer. I am a registered nurse and have been involved in communitybased healthcare for more than 10 years. I received an Honors Bachelors of Science and a Master of Science in Nursing from Marquette University and am currently enrolled in the PhD in Nursing program at UW-Milwaukee. Previously, I worked as a nursing professor where I taught the pediatric and community wellness course and clinical. I also coordinated a global mission trip to serve the people of Belize through a community health outreach program. Additionally, I founded Project R.E.A.C.H. (Respite Events Allowing Caregivers Hope) and have helped to coordinate numerous respite events for parents of children with special healthcare needs. Prior to my role as an educator, I worked as a Pediatric Nurse Case Manager for the Visiting Nurse Association, where I helped to manage the care of some of our most vulnerable families in the community. I feel it is an honor and a privilege to work with and for the members of our community.

I feel very fortunate to be joining such a great team and a highly esteemed health department. The previous Health Officer, Carol Wantuch, did an exceptional job establishing quality programs that truly meet the needs of our community. The nurses and other staff members are dedicated professionals that truly care about helping the people in our community. I look forward to working together to enhance our services and help support our mission to prevent illness and injury and to promote and protect the health and well-being of the Cudahy Community.

Sincerely,

Kim Whitmore, RN, MSN, CPN Health Officer

Is There a Baby In Your Future???

Early prenatal care is very important for a healthy mom and baby.

The Cudahy Health Department offers *low cost*, confidential pregnancy testing that can confirm a pregnancy as soon as a woman is 1 week late with her period.

The health department can provide a temporary Medicaid card to income eligible women with healthcare referrals and *personalized* pregnancy education.

For a healthy pregnancy and a healthy baby, call **882-2385** to schedule an appointment.

Immunization Changes

The Cudahy Health Department has been notified by the Wisconsin Immunization Program that the funding for the vaccines we use during our immunization clinics will change.

As of October 1, 2012

- All children regardless of insurance coverage may continue to receive Seasonal Flu and Pertussis (Whooping Cough) vaccines at the Cudahy Health Department.
- Children with private health insurance must receive their immunizations at their Private Doctor or Health Clinic.
- Children with private health insurance without vaccine coverage can continue to receive vaccines at the Cudahy Health Department.
- Children who are on Badger Care (Forward Card) can continue to receive their vaccines at the Cudahy Health Department or at their Private Doctor or Health Clinic
- Children with <u>no</u> health insurance can continue to receive immunizations at the Cudahy Health Department.

The Health Department holds immunization clinics on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month throughout the year. To schedule an appointment call, **769-2239**.

Stay Healthy. Prevent the Spread of Germs. Wash Your Hands!

Wash with soap and running water for 20 seconds or long enough to sing the ABC Song.

If water is not available use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer or gel.

When to Wash

- Before meals
- Before preparing food
- After a cough or sneeze
- After touching an animal
- After using the bathroom or changing a diaper
- After touching garbage
- After gardening
- After taking care of someone who is ill
- Anytime your hands have been exposed to dirt or aerms

Whooping Cough Increasing in the Community

Pertussis, also known as whooping cough, is a highly contagious respiratory disease and it has been on the rise throughout southeastern Wisconsin. Pertussis is known for uncontrollable, violent coughing which often makes it hard to breathe. After fits of many coughs, someone with pertussis often needs to take deep breathes which result in a "whooping" sound.

Pertussis most commonly affects infants and young children and can be fatal, especially in babies less than 1 year of age. The best way to protect against pertussis is to get vaccinated.

Visit the CDC website at www.cdc.gov for more information.

Why should I take time to eat breakfast? I'm not hungry in the morning.

Is the above statement something that you tell yourself from time to time? When you break up the word breakfast, it means to 'break' the 'fast.' When you eat a good breakfast, it helps to give your body the energy it needs during the day. Eating a healthy breakfast has been proven to increase concentration in the classroom and in the workplace. People who skip breakfast are unlikely to make up the daily requirements they need for some vitamins and minerals during the rest of the day.

Studies show that breakfast can be important in maintaining a healthy body weight. Some ideas to help you to stick to that plan of eating a breakfast every day:

- Get up 15 minutes earlier. You can fix a healthy breakfast in 15 minutes or less.
- Pick up portable breakfast items when at the grocery store. You should buy foods like fruit. low-fat yogurt, whole grain breakfast bars, or granola bars for those mornings when you have to eat breakfast on the go.

You can find tips on why you should eat breakfast and how to follow a good eating pattern on the 'new' government website: http://www.//choosemyplate.gov

A picture says a thousand words. Some pictures save lives.

The mammogram is a life - saving picture. It is an important part of preventive health for women 40 years and older.

Over a lifetime, women have a 1 in 8 chance of getting breast cancer. Age is the greatest single risk factor. A mammogram can detect changes in breast tissue 2 years before these changes may be felt by the hands of a trained physician. When detected early, breast cancer has a 92-95% survival rate.

The American Cancer Society recommends these actions for breast health:

Age 20-39

- Monthly breast self exam
- Clinical breast exam every 3 years
- First mammogram between 35 40 years old

Age 40+

- Monthly breast self exam
- Clinical breast exam every year
- Mammography every year

You may be eligible for a FREE mammogram and/or pap smear if you are:



€ 50 - 64 years old



Meet income guidelines



Have no health insurance, are underinsured, or have high insurance deductibles.

Call the Cudahy Health Department at 882-2390 for more information

Are Your Children Riding Safely?



Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for children ages 1 to 12 years old. Deaths and injuries can be prevented by the proper use of car seats, booster seats, and seat belts.

The Cudahy Health Department offers free safety inspections for any Cudahy resident. We also have free or low cost child passenger seats for qualified residents. For more information call 414-882-2392.

Congratulations to Ed Wrench!

In August, Ed Wrench was honored as the Wisconsin Child Passenger Safety Technician of the Year at the Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety. He has done more than 2500 inspections, potentially saving the lives of infants and children by ensuring they are properly secured in the event of a motor vehicle collision.

ARE YOU PREPARED?



With the winter months approaching, is your household prepared for the possibility of a blizzard? You can find information on how to prepare your household for severe weather and other emergencies by visiting www.ready.gov

Being prepared will help you weather the storm.



The Cudahy WIC Clinics

Who we are: The Cudahy WIC Clinic are here to improve the nutrition and health status of women, infants, and children (up to age 5) living in the state of Wisconsin, and who meet the income guidelines*.

How we can help: We provide nutritious foods, health and nutrition education, breastfeeding education and support, and referrals to health and human services.

*Please call **414-769-2229** for information on income guidelines, hours of operation, or to set up an appointment.

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. WIC is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

Fall Leaf Collection - The Department of Public Works will begin fall leaf collection on October 8th. You may rake your leaves into the curb into piles no higher than the curb. Please keep leaf piles a minimum of 10' away from storm drains. Leaf collection will end on November 30th or the first measurable snowfall, whichever is first.

Fall Yard Waste Collection--During the week of November 5-9th, the Department of Public Works will pick up yard waste including garden debris, leaves and grass. Plant materials and garden waste can be placed in the curb line for this week only. This does NOT include trees, branches, or brush. Crews will be schedule for one day per aldermanic district. So have your yard waste out by that Monday. Please no bags or boxes.

Holiday Garbage Pickup --For the week of Thanksgiving, residents who normally have garbage collection on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday will have their garbage picked up on their regular day. Thursday pick-up will be on Wednesday (the day before the Thanksgiving holiday). The week of December 23rd, the Monday collection will be on Wednesday December 26, the Tuesday collection will be on Thursday December 27 and the Wednesday and Thursday collections will be on Friday December 28. The week of December 30, the Monday collection will be on Wednesday January 2, 2013 the Tuesday collection will be on Thursday, January 3 and the Wednesday and Thursday collections will be on Friday January 4, 2013.

Holiday Tree Disposal -- The Cudahy DPW will be collecting Christmas trees placed by the curb for a two-week period only beginning Monday, January 7, 2012. Please make sure the tree is visible to our crews by digging it out of snow banks. Also remove lights, tinsel

and other items from the tree. Holiday trees may be dropped off at the City's Drop Off Center for a \$2.00 fee per tree on days when the Drop Off Center is open to the public.

Drop-Off Center – The City operates a Drop Off Center at 5631 S. Pennsylvania Avenue. Residents that live within the City of Cudahy may take general house hold items, recyclable material and yard waste to the drop off site for a fee. The fee is based on the size of the vehicle or trailer. Please check the City's website for applicable fee. Tickets can be purchased at City Hall or may be purchased at the Drop-Off Site. Winter Hours for the Drop Off Site are October 1 to March 31st: Tuesday & Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday -- 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The attendant will collect your tickets and check your driver's license or other photo id. Individuals that do not have a Cudahy address will be turned away.

Winter Weather Information Snow Clearing Operations

During a snow storm the City sends plows to "open" and maintain the driving

lanes of a roadway. Major roads are done first then secondary roadways then alleys. From 1989 to 2007, 3 labor positions were lost due to budget cuts. Since 2008 the Public Works Department lost an additional 3 general labor positions and 2 administrative positions. Since 2004 the City gained 3 acres of public parking lot, 2 miles of City maintained sidewalk and ½ mile of new street. Positions in the Department of Public Works were sacrificed from 2008 to 2012 to maintain the overall City budget. As a result, there are less plow drivers, which means the department has to make critical choices during every snow event. The number one priority is safety. Therefore attention is given to the roadways that have a higher volume of traffic. School zones are next and then the residential streets. Alleys are low priority and may not get attended to during snow events until the "rush" hour is over. Parking lanes are often times not plowed until the storm has past. Clearing/widening is done at night when street parking is limited.

Use of Salt & De-icing Chemicals

Due to the close proximity to Lake Michigan the City restricts its use of salt and other de-icing chemicals. This policy has been in place for years to protect Lake Michigan since salt and deicing chemicals are very corrosive to the environment and do not "disappear" once they are in Lake Michigan. Many people get upset when the roadways are not down to bare pavement but adding more salt adds more issues to the quality of the Lake and the quality of your drinking water.

Winter Season Reminders

Placing Snow Back into Streets & Alleys – It is unlawful to throw, blow or shovel snow and slush into the street or alley. Because this problem has cost the City in hours of re-clearing, the Police Department will be issuing tickets.



Sidewalk Snow Removal -

Our City codes make it the responsibility of the "owner, occupant or person in charge of any building or lot" to completely remove snow and ice from the abutting public sidewalk within 24 hours after each snow/ice event. If the sidewalks are not kept clear of snow and ice, the City, without notice, will do the work and bill the cost to the owner. Minimum charge is \$138.00.

Follow winter parking regulations & stay posted to your TV for any Snow Emergency bulletins restricting parking.

Water Line Freezes – The Water Utility does not thaw or repair frozen water lines. The property owner needs to call a contractor to thaw out lines.

Packard Avenue Road Reconstruction Schedule:

Contrary to what people might be saying on the streets of Cudahy, the City has not completed the work on Packard Avenue. The City finished most of the utility work this past spring in anticipation of a road reconstruction project. The road reconstruction work was originally scheduled for the summer of 2012 but the City decided to give the business owners some relief and delayed the project. The project is tentatively rescheduled to begin sometime in early summer of 2013. The pavement that was placed last fall and this spring is very temporary and does not have the structural integrity to withstand years of heavy wheel loads. Temporary pavement was also placed to give utility trenches time to settle.

The construction work scheduled for 2013 will involve the removal of pavement, curb, brick pavers & some sidewalks. The City will be replacing the curb and pavement. The brick pavers that have severely deteriorated will be replaced with more durable pavement. Street lighting and other decorative items will also be replaced. The engineering department will be posting periodic updates on the City's website as the project progresses. The City will try and keep Packard Avenue open during the road reconstruction

work. Parking will be limited to the side streets. There may be short period of times when the roadway has to be closed off to traffic. During those periods a detour will be erected.

Storm Water Projects - The Engineering staff has been working on several storm water projects that will minimize flooding in some areas of the City. Some of the projects are very large in nature and are at the preliminary stages of design. One of these projects is the Grange Avenue relief sewer. This project includes the design of a large sewer pipe that will start from Lake Michigan and be constructed out to Barland Avenue near Grange & Barland. This system will eventually provide relief to about ¼ of the City from an area between Ramsey and Underwood and areas to the east of Barland. This project is expected to be constructed over a five year period. This storm sewer will also allow the City to reconstruct Grange Avenue from Barland to the east.

The City has also been busy purchasing flood prone property. These properties have been identified to be within an "urban floodway". These urban floodways were created a half a century ago when roadways and subdivision were constructed. Engineers at the time did not understand the importance of a flood route. A flood route is a path were storm water, that can't get into a storm sewer flows. The construction of roadways and homes has blocked that route causing upstream flooding to occur. Once the property is purchased the City will be removing the structure and create a small local dry detention basin for the water to flow and be stored until the storm sewer can take the water away.

Some projects that will be started this fall and that will continue next spring are located throughout the City and are being done to address the "local" flooding. Local flooding is the type that floods intersections during normal rainfall. During the summer months the City's Department of Public Works staff began work on these smaller projects by installing additional catch basins to intersections.

As part of the all the storm sewer work the City will be looking at every opportunity to incorporate storm water pollution reduction. Even during the sidewalk and street projects this summer the City was successful in removing roughly a ¼ acre of impervious area. Removing hard surface and turning it into green space allows water and organic pollutants to soak and breakdown in the soil as oppose to washing into the streets and eventually conveyed to Lake Michigan.

INFORMATION FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT:

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



The neighborhood watch group has been established for some time in Cudahy. The neighborhood watch group is comprised of residents who primarily live in the north and central part of Cudahy but everyone in the city is encouraged to attend. This group meets once a month at the Cudahy Family Library. Meetings are generally held on the last Wednesday of the month, with each meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The main objective of the neighborhood watch group is to reduce crime and to strive for peaceful, law-abiding neighborhoods. This can be accomplished by identifying problems within certain neighborhoods, sharing information among residents, the police department, and city officials, educating residents about state and local laws as well as procedures of the Cudahy Police Department and discussing ideas about crime in Cudahy as well as solutions to such activity.

At these meetings, the neighborhood watch coordinator calls the meeting to order and sets the agenda for that particular evening. The meeting is turned over to a police officer, who is assigned to the group. The police officer advises the group about the latest police activity, the latest crime trends within the city and any other information pertinent to the safety and well-being of residents. The officer fields questions from those in attendance. These questions range from activity within Cudahy, to parental rights questions, to questions about local ordinances, state law and police procedures.

In addition, neighborhood watch members have recently taken a tour of the Cudahy Police Department, met with candidates for local offices, been educated on gang activity within Cudahy, met with a local narcotics officer, been given personal safety advice and met the Cudahy Municipal Judge.

Lastly, the overwhelming majority of neighborhood watch residents belong to an e-mail group where they receive detailed e-mails from the Cudahy Police Department. These e-mails give the date, time, location and nature of the calls Cudahy police officers responded to within the entire city of Cudahy. These e-mails also give updates about major crimes that have occurred within the city of Cudahy including descriptions of suspects.

These e-mails provide unprecedented information to Cudahy residents. This not only educates residents about the location/type of crime occurring in their neighborhood; but also shows where, when, and how Cudahy police officers are spending their time on duty.

Good relations between the community and the police department are critical in the battle against crime. Concerned, law-abiding citizens expect their police department to be responsive to criminal activity in Cudahy. Law enforcement needs many supportive and vigilant citizens to report crime and to take a genuine interest in the well-being of a neighborhood. Without question, a strong, competent police department united with supportive, vigilant citizenry is the best solution in dealing with crime. Cudahy's neighborhood watch group is one example of such a partnership.

For more information about Cudahy's Neighborhood Watch Group, contact Sgt. Chris Blunt of the Cudahy Police Department. You may call Sgt. Blunt at 769- 2260 ext. 2405 or email him at cblunt@ci.cudahy.wi.us. You may also call neighborhood watch coordinator, Vera Trifunovich at 324-5531.



Police and Students Working Together to Forge a Positive Learning Environment

Growing up, nobody liked getting called to the principal's office, but at the Cudahy schools, principals and staff have assistance in promoting a safe and enjoyable learning environment. A School Resource Officer, or SRO, conduct patrols of the campuses, investigate problems and illegal activity. One officer is stationed at Cudahy High School and another officer covers Cudahy Middle School and the five elementary schools. The two part-time officers are retired Cudahy patrol officers, who are very familiar with the community. SRO's are not only a big help at the schools, but also provide assistance to parents. These officers are available for intervention counseling. Officers also assist the schools in classroom presentations and to serve as a positive role model for students. SRO's have to maintain the skills of an active police officer and have also received additional training in juvenile aspects of law enforcement. The Cudahy Police Department and Cudahy School District continue to research programs to help strengthen their relationship for the benefit of Cudahy students and the community.

Evidence Technicians



Submitted By: Police Officer Janelle Jurkiewicz

In recent years TV shows such as CSI and Law and Order have quickly become the most watched programs on television. Interest in these television shows has created a fascination with forensic science and the role it plays in solving crimes. The role Evidence Technicians play in today's policing is essential to identifying and convicting offenders. Evidence Technicians (ET's) specialize in identifying, preserving, retrieving and processing crime scene evidence.

The ability to locate and collect evidence is dependant on the technology available and the training the ET officer has received. In 2010, the Cudahy Police Department received a Byrne JAG Grant in the amount of \$39,101. These funds were allocated for a fully equipped crime scene vehicle. Each shift has at least two trained ET officers which utilize this vehicle. Having a fully equipped crime scene vehicle with updated technology allows ET officers access to various instruments to assist with the location and collection of evidence.

Evidence Technicians work closely with the initial responding officers, detectives, and command staff when processing crime scenes such as burglaries, robberies, suicides, sexual assaults and homicides. The need may arise for evidence technicians to collect evidence from hospitals or other separate locations and also attend autopsies if needed. The use of photography and crime scene sketches and/or diagrams is also a trained skill used by ET officers at a crime scene. Evidence collected at a scene is transporting to the Cudahy Police Department for processing and storage. ET officers also may collect evidence at a scene and deliver it to the state crime lab for processing. Either way, ET officers have to be meticulous with documenting the evidence and maintaining the chain of custody so as not to compromise the evidence for court purposes. ET officers may be called to testify in court.

<u>DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,</u> INSPECTIONS AND ZONING

The Department of Economic Development, Inspections and Zoning continues to implement its functional reorganization plan following consolidation of the two departments at the beginning of 2012. Development/New Construction/Substantial Addition projects approved so far this year include:

- Fabricated Metal Products, Inc. 20,000 square feet of additional production space – project completed.
- Cudahy Apartments, LLC 3500 block of East Squire Avenue – 6 unit multifamily building – under construction.
- Clock Tower LLC 3500 block of East Squire Avenue – 39 unit multifamily building – pending financing.
- Central Storage and Warehouse, Inc. 60,000 square feet of cold storage/food processing – closing delayed to 2013.
- O'Reilly Auto Parts 6001 S. Packard Avenue purchased by O'Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc. on January 4, 2012 - Construction delayed to 2013.

The Community Development Authority and the City of Cudahy recently approved bond financing for Environmental Tax Increment District 2, the 26+ vacant acres located along the southwest corner of Pennsylvania and Layton. The resulting improved cash flow will allow Cobalt Partners, LLC to complete engineering analysis of the property and begin active negotiations with interested users including a hotel group and a multifamily developer.

FROM YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT:



Holiday Safety

Every year over 300 fires are caused by holiday decorations. Dry vegetation, such as pine trees and boughs, are significant factors. Only use a fresh cut tree and be sure to keep it watered. Use hot tap water to fill the water reservoir, this will help to keep the sap flowing. Check all electrical decorations for damage. Follow the manufactures recommendations for hours of usage and areas for proper installation. Frayed or damaged wires are an invitation for fire. Do not overload outlets or install too many light strings together. Overloading circuits and wires can cause overheating and lead to a fire. Another key point to remember is not to block doorways. If there is a fire, the normal pathways out of your home will be critical. Blocking that path with decorations could be the difference between escaping the fire and being trapped. If there is a fire, exit the home immediately, and phone 911 from a safe location.

Adopt a fire hydrant

As winter approaches, the Fire Department asks that all residents watch for snow around the fire hydrants.

Please keep a three foot area around the hydrant clear of snow. This helps fire fighters find the hydrants during an emergency. This may seem like a small request, but to the fire fighters responding to a fire, it can make the difference between life and death. Thank you.

Fall Back! Change Batteries

With the changing of the clocks, it is also time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. Make sure the unit operates when you depress the test button. If the unit is older than ten years, or you have no idea how old it is, time to replace the unit. New units have a ten year lithium battery. Ensure there is a smoke detector on every level of your home.

Winter Fire Safety Tips

The high cost of home heating fuels and utilities have caused many Americans to search for alternate sources of home heating. The use of wood burning stoves is growing and space heaters are selling rapidly or coming out of storage. Fireplaces are burning wood and man made logs. All these methods of heating may be acceptable. They are however, a major contributing factor in residential fires. Many of these fires can be prevented. The following fire safety tips can help you maintain a fire safe home this winter.



- Be sure your space heater is in good working condition. Inspect exhaust parts for carbon buildup. Be sure the heater has an emergency shut off in case the heater is tipped over.
- Be sure the fireplace or stove is installed properly. Woodstoves should have adequate clearance (36") from combustible surfaces, proper floor support, and protection.
- Have your chimney inspected annually and cleaned if necessary, especially if it's not been used for some time.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a deadly, colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. It is produced by the incomplete burning of various fuels, including coal, wood, charcoal, oil, kerosene, propane, and natural gas. Products and equipment powered by internal combustion engines such as portable generators, cars, and lawn mowers also produce CO. CO detectors will save lives much like smoke detectors.

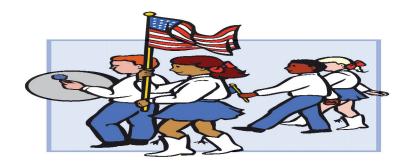
PLEASE PURCHASE AND INSTALL A NEW CO DETECTOR IN YOUR HOME, IT'S THE LAW!!

4th of July Parade Route Survey

Over the last two years, we have moved the 4th of July parade route to South Lake Drive to accommodate the construction on Packard Avenue. The completion of the Packard Avenue Streetscape is scheduled for 2013 so the Parade will be running down Lake Drive in 2013 and possibly 2014 if construction is delayed.

Our question to residents is whether the parade route should be permanently changed to South Lake Drive, or if it should remain on Packard Avenue.

Please participate in the survey by voting for one of the suggested parade routes.



Tear off and return in person or by mail to Cudahy City Hall: 5050 S. Lake Drive PO Box 100510 Cudahy, WI 53110

Fackard Avenu	ue to Layton Ave t	o Sneridan	Park
Lake Drive to	Armour Avenue		

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POSTAL CUSTOMER CUDAHY, WI 53110

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CITY OF CUDAHY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY						
Clerk/Treasure Office	769-2204	Health Department (WIC)	769-2229			
Assessor	769-2207	Inspection (building&plumbing)	769-2211			
City Attorney	769-2243	Inspection (electrical)	769-2209			
Clerk/Treasurer	769-2204	Library	769-2244			
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS (DPV	V)769-2216	Mayor's Office	769-2222			
Engineering	769-2212	Economic Development Dir.	769-2215			
Fire/Police Department (emergency	911	POLICE NON EMERG.	769-2260			
Fire Station (station #1)	769-2231	OVERNIGHT PARKING Water Utility (billing info)	744-3444 769-2237			
Fire Department (station #2)	769-2233	Water Utility (purification plant & after hours emergency)	769-2235			
Health Department (main line)	769-2239	Municipal Court	769-2218			